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DRIVE UNIT FOR WHEEL AND ASSEMBLY METHOD FOR THE

SAME

Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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REPLY

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of November 5, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.